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Steve Glanstein, Chair Pro Tem  
and Members of the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village NB 18  
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Dear Mr. Glanstein and Board Members:

Re: Mass Transit Project

It has been brought to my attention that the following matters were discussed at a prior Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village NB 18 meeting:

1. Several members commended me for my strong stance in support of the Minimum Operable Segment (MOS) from UH-West Oahu to Ala Moana Center, via Salt Lake Boulevard.
2. An update on the Honolulu High Capacity Transit Corridor Project as requested by members.

Firstly, all of you are to be commended for your staunch support and steadfast belief that the best route for the transit line is via Salt Lake Boulevard. All of this would not have been possible without the unanimous support of the Aliamanu/Salt Lake/Foster Village NB 18. Mahalo also to community residents such as Howard Shima and his group, and Sen. Norman Sakamoto for attending and testifying at many Council and committee meetings.

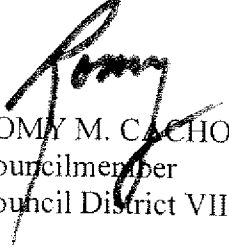
Secondly, as for the latest update on the mass transit project, I understand that the Hannemann administration is currently in the process of submitting an application to obtain federal funds to conduct the following:

- A. The draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the entire mass transit line and;
- B. The preliminary engineering (P/E) for the MOS via Salt Lake Boulevard as approved by the City Council.

Lastly, much thanks is in order to Mayor Mufi Hannemann for meeting with us and for his support of Salt Lake Boulevard for the MOS. Mahalo also to Department of Transportation Services (DTS) director Mel Kaku, DTS chief planner Toru Hamayasu, and their respective staff for their kokua.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 547-7007. Thank you once again for your support and kokua.

Very truly yours,



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cc: The Honorable Mufi Hannemann, Mayor  
Melvin Kaku, Department of Transportation Services, Director  
Toru Hamayasu, Department of Transportation Services, Chief Planner  
The Honorable Norman Sakamoto, Senator, State Senate District 15